

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, March 7, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Vice-Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.

Members absent/excused: Reps. Ward, Murphy.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2006 meeting. Representative Adamini supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Vice-Chair laid HB 5653 before the committee.

**HB 5653 Taub**                      Occupations; physicians' assistants; practice as physician's assistant under supervision of a podiatrist; provide for.

Representative Shelley Goodman Taub, sponsor of HB 5653, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Martin Faasse of the Michigan Podiatric Medical Association testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Orlene Christie of the Michigan Department of Community Health.  
Colin Ford of the Michigan State Medical Society.  
Doug Borruso of the Michigan Osteopathic Association.  
Mike DeGrow of the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants.

Representative Vander Veen moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 5653. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 5653 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Hune supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Vice-Chair laid HB 5336 before the committee.

**HB 5336 Newell** State agencies (existing); community health; health information technology commission; create.

Representative Gary Newell, sponsor of HB 5336, testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Orlene Christie of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Lynn Weimeister of Beaumont Hospitals.

Dave Finkbeiner of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association.

Meghan Swain of the Michigan Nurses Association.

Greg Baran of the Michigan Pharmacists Association.

Felicia Wasson of Ascension Health of Michigan.

Christine Shearer of the Michigan Association of Health Plans.

Doug Borruso of the Michigan Osteopathic Association.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 5336. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Hune offered the following amendments to substitute (H-1) of HB 5336:

1. Amend page 2, line 1, after "**OF**" by striking out "**13**" and inserting "**15**".
2. Amend page 2, following line 22, by inserting:  
"**(N) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING NURSES.**  
**(O) ONE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING OPTOMETRISTS.**".
3. Amend page 3, line 12, after "**YEAR,**" by striking out "**3**" and inserting "**4**".
4. Amend page 3, line 13, after "**YEARS,**" by striking out "**3**" and inserting "**4**".

Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Representative Hune moved to adopt the amendments. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 11-3-1.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.**

**Nays: Reps. Newell, Nofs, Adamini.**

**Pass: Rep. Wojno.**

Representative Gaffney moved to report HB 5336 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-2). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Gaffney moved to excuse the absence of Representatives Ward and Murphy. Representative Vander Veen supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Vice-Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

**Representative Gary Newell, Vice-Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk.

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